



Mortuary service to Wasatch County is provided today by the Olpin family. Shown here are, left to right, Richard Guy Olpin, Mrs. Violet Olpin, Joseph Olpin and Joseph E. (Ted) Olpin.

1911, when the Heber system had 170 installations, the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co. purchased the independent company. The service gradually increased until there were 399 telephones installed by the beginning of World War II in 1941. During the war it was not possible to make new installations, and so 125 orders for new phones had accumulated by the end of hostilities. These applications had all been filled by December, 1946, but in the meantime there were another 125 applications for still more phones. In 1955 there were 1,230 telephone installations, 1,374 in 1956 and nearly 1600 by 1960.

Until 1938 all the telephones were the magneto type, operated by a hand crank. In 1938 all but four community lines were changed to more modern equipment and these four lines have subsequently been converted to modern service.